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Mr. Paul G. Donaldson
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Dear Mr. Donaldson:

Thank you for your recent e-mail inquiring about the coding of the Fire Protection and Suppression Services on the NIH commercial activities inventory in accordance with the Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act of 1998 (P.L. 105-270). I am pleased to inform you that, partly due to your inquiry, we have reviewed the coding of this function and have decided not to review this function this year. In addition, we plan to revise our inventory to protect Fire Protection and Suppression Services from future review under the competitive sourcing process.

It is through the involvement of dedicated staff like you that we continue to review and improve the way we do business in support of the NIH mission.

Thank you again for your valuable contribution to NIH programs.

Sincerely,

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Director